# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE
# LOK SABHA

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CUT IN EXPENDITURE FOR AGRICULTURAL SECTOR
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether there is continuous cut in expenditure for agricultural sector in the country;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to take any steps to check it; and

(c) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE(SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) to (c): The expenditure incurred by the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation has generally been on an increase in successive years of the Ninth & Tenth Plan except 2002-03 as indicated in the table below.

(Rs. Crore)

| Year | Expenditure |
|---|---|
| **Ninth Plan** | |
| 1997-98 | 1208.00 |
| 1998-99 | 1344.00 |
| 1999-2000 | 1457.00 |
| 2000-01 | 1649.00 |
| 2001-2002 | 1777.92 |
| **Tenth Plan** | |
| 2002-03 | 1656.78 |
| 2003-04 | 2055.95 (Provisional) |